

**CITY OF SAN JOSÉ
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

6:00 P.M., Monday, July 9, 2007
City Hall, 200 E. Santa Clara St, 8th Fl, Room T847
San José, CA 95113

MINUTES

1. **Call To Order/Roll Call** - Chair Payne called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Present

Charlie Payne
Lane Parker
Bob Halem
Deb Lefferts (for Luis Mendez)
Yolanda Williams (arrived 6.15pm)

Staff

John Brazil, DOT

Absent

Corinne Winter
Lawrence DeSantis
Don Barnett

Council Liaison

Nicholas Rice-Sanchez, Council District 6
Marylou Avanzino

2. **Approve Order of Business** – Approved.
3. **Oral Petitions** – Marylou Avanzino asked if the committee could look into weekly residential garbage, yard waste, and recycling placement in shoulders and bike lanes. She said this occurs and is a hazard to bicyclists. Mr. Brazil said he would contact the appropriate department and request a report to BPAC. Marylou also requested that the city install bike racks at Camera 10. Mr. Brazil said the Bike/Ped Program obtained a grant to install public bike racks during FY07-08, and this sight would be investigated for feasibility.
4. **Approve Minutes of May 14, 2007** – A quorum did not exist to approve minutes, so this item was deferred to the next meeting.
5. **New Business**
- a. **Bylaws, Member Term Limits, & Call for Applications** – Mr. Brazil updated the committee on its bylaws regarding term limits. The bylaws allow members to serve up to three consecutive terms and an unlimited number of non-consecutive terms. The committee requested that Term Limits be agendaized for discussion at the next meeting. Mr. Brazil reported that the city will be seeking applications during July for the three vacant seats on the committee. Advertisements will be placed in local newspapers. A staff panel will review applications received and make recommendations to the Department Director. Director approval of new appointments is expected in late August.
6. **Old Business**

a. North San José Bike/Ped Master Plan – As a follow up to last month's discussion, Mr. Brazil provided a status report on the North San José Bike Ped Master Plan (NSJBMP). Alta Planning + Design have been hired to prepare this plan. The project will identify standards and improvements to improve bicycle and pedestrian access in the North San José area. It will address access connections to trails, transit, jobs, and housing via bicycle and walking. It will also include design details for some planned Bike Lane projects. The project budget is \$95,000. The project schedule calls for completion by June 2008. Staff will provide additional updates in the future.

b. Ped/ADA Sidewalk Plan Update – Mr. Brazil reported that, since last month's status report, the consultant team has begun work on the third and fourth tasks: (3) draft recommended updates; and (4) coordinate with city departments. The second of three consultant reports to this committee will be provided this fall.

c. Crosstown, Signed, Numbered Bikeway Pilot Project: Update – A formal signing plan is scheduled to be developed this fall with implementation later this year.

d. Sharrows Pilot Project – Mr. Brazil reported that the first of two pilot projects has been installed on the west end of San Fernando. Only two days after installation, staff began receiving positive feedback from bicyclists. The second project on Park Avenue will be installed later this month. If these projects are deemed successful, the city will consider implementing Sharrows in additional locations.

e. Bicycle Friendly Signal Detection Pilot Project: Update - Mr. Brazil reported that the status of this concept had not changed. Substantive planning and implementation is scheduled for FY07-08, which begins July 1, 2007.

7. Staff Report

a. Completed Bike Lanes FY06-07 – Mr. Brazil reported that the following Bike Lane projects were completed during June 2007: Aborn Road (White to east end); Coleman Avenue (Taylor to Guadalupe River Trail); Quimby Road (Ruby to Murillo); Ruby Avenue (Quimby to Aborn); and Taylor Street (Walnut to First). These new Bike Lanes add approximately 3.5 miles to San José's Transportation Bike Network.

b. Bike to Work Day – Mr. Brazil reported on a successful Bike to Work Day. The City of San José again sponsored an Energizer Station outside the MLK Library. Volunteers at this location handed out breakfast food and drinks, distributed bicycling information, and distributed 100 free helmets and helmet fittings. Approximately 300 bicyclists came by the station that morning. The City of San José also cosponsored the VIP Bike Ride along with the Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition and the Silicon Valley Leadership Group. The event included executives from the private sector, the mayor of San José, and three San José councilmembers. That evening, the Bike/Ped Program helped coordinate free Valet Bike Parking at the Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition's Bike Away from Work party at Gordon Biersch.

c. San José Airport – In response to Committee member concerns that the San José International Airport (SJIA) does not accommodate bicyclists and pedestrians, Mr. Brazil reported that he contacted SJIA and requested their consultant team provide this committee an update on its Roadway Master Plan process. SJIA staff

and its consultant team will provide an update this fall, at a BPAC meeting to be determined.

d. Program Staffing – Mr. Brazil reported that, unfortunately, the additional position proposed for the Bike/Ped Program had not been approved in the city budget process. However, a half-time intern position has been approved to conduct bike/ped collision analysis and to develop a Bike/Ped Program web page.

8. Committee Member Comments – No comments.

9. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Next Meeting: To be determined.

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